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Soner Cagaptay is the Beyer Family fellow and director of the Turkish Research Program at The Washington Institute. He has written extensively on U.S.-Turkish relations, Turkish domestic politics and Turkish nationalism. Cagaptay looks at Erdoğan's roots in Turkish history, what he believes in and how he has cemented his rule, as well as what this means for the world. He also unpicks the 'threats' Erdoğan has worked to combat - from the liberal Turks to the Gulen movement, from coup plotters to Kurdish nationalists - all of which have culminated in the crisis of modern Turkey.

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"Whither Turkey?" is a question that has become one of the most pressing national security topics of our time. The available evidence – including notably the increasingly overt ambition of Recep Tayyip Erdoğan to become the Caliph of a neo-Ottoman empire, his naked hostility toward the United States and the damage being done by Turkey to America’s vital interests and those of the rest of NATO and other allies like Israel and the Kurds – suggests the answer is alarming.

3 Erdogan's Empire: Turkey and the Politics of the Middle East (2019) by Soner Cagaptay https://www.amazon.com/Erdogans-Empire-Turkey-Politics-Middle-ebook/dp/B07X2ZRSLY/

Turkey broke ranks with its traditional Western allies, including the U.S. and embraced an imperial-style foreign policy which aimed to restore Turkey's Ottoman-era reach into the Middle East and the Balkans. In addition to a domestic crackdown on dissent and journalistic freedoms, driven by Erdogan's style of governance, Turkey faces a hostile world.

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https://www.amazon.com/Dubious-Case-Failed-Coup-Masculinities-ebook/dp/B07FY7498R/

3 A Coup in Turkey: A Tale of Democracy, Despotism and Vengeance in a Divided Land (2021) by Jeremy Seal
https://www.amazon.com/Coup-Turkey-Democracy-Despotism-Vengeance-ebook/dp/B086MJCNRY/

A Coup in Turkey is a thrilling account of the events leading up to the coup and the trials and executions that followed, a story of political subterfuge and score-settling, courtroom drama, state execution, authoritarian intolerance and ideological division.